United Nations E/2006/SR.45

Economic and Social Council

Provisional

21 December 2006

Original: English

Substantive session of 2006

Provisional summary record of the 45th meeting
Held at Headquarters, New York, on Thursday, 30 November 2006, at 5.30 p.m.

President: Mr. Hachani ..... (Tunisia)

Contents

Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments (*continued*)

Organization of work

Corrections to this record should be submitted in one of the working languages. They should be set forth in a memorandum and also incorporated in a copy of the record. They should be sent *within one week of the date of this document* to the Chief, Official Records Editing Section, room DC2-750, 2 United Nations Plaza.

06-63474 (E)

The meeting was called to order at 5.30 p.m.

Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments (*continued*)

Committee for Programme and Coordination

1. **The President** announced that the Group of Western European and Other States had endorsed France for one of the three seats to be filled by it. He took it that the Council wished to nominate France for election to the Committee by the General Assembly for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.

2. *It was so decided.*

3. **The President** recalled that, with regard to the two remaining vacancies to be filled from the Group of Western European and Other States, the Council had previously decided to postpone the nomination of one member for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2008. That decision remained unchanged. He took it that the Council also decided to postpone the nomination of the third member from the Group for election by the General Assembly for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.

4. *It was so decided.*

Committee for Development Policy (E/2006/9/Add.18)

5. **The President** said that document E/2006/9/Add.18 listed 24 individuals who had been nominated by the Secretary-General to serve on the Committee in their personal capacity, providing their biographical information. He took it that the Council approved the nomination by the Secretary-General of the 24 experts listed for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2007.

6. *It was so decided.*

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (E/2006/9/Add.19)

7. **The President** invited the Council to fill a vacancy arising from the resignation of Mr. Shen Yongxiang of China. The Government of China had nominated Mr. Zhan Daode to replace Mr. Shen. Biographical information on Mr. Zhan was contained in document E/2006/9/Add.19. In the absence of any other nomination, he took it that the Council wished to elect Mr. Zhan, by acclamation, to complete the unexpired portion of Mr. Shen's term of office.

8. *It was so decided.*

Organization of work

9. **The President** recalled that, by its resolution 61/16 on the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council, the General Assembly had clarified the new mandates of the Council arising from decisions taken at the 2005 World Summit, in particular regarding the Council's annual high-level policy dialogue and the biennial high-level Development Cooperation Forum. In order to implement those decisions and assist the Council to begin its work in 2007 with all the relevant facts at hand, he had launched a process of informal consultations among Council members. He hoped to submit a package of consensus proposals to the Council at its next meeting on 11 December 2006.

The meeting rose at 5.35 p.m.